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1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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5 Examiner: Estrada, Michelle  
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10 Title: METHOD OF FORMING ADJACENT HOLES ON A  
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In response to the Office action identified above,  
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25 indicated in the following sections. Consideration of  
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